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(Continuation of US Application 09/512,304)

For : COATING DEVICE AND PROCESS FOR A WET SECTION OF  
AN APPARATUS FOR PRODUCTION OF A MATERIAL WEB

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner of Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby calls to the Examiner's attention the following documents that were cited in U.S. Patent Application No. 09/512,304, filed February 24, 2000, to which the above-captioned application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

The following documents were cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a) - (c) on July 3, 2000 in continuation application No. 09/512,304, filed February 24, 2000, of which the above-captioned application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120:

(1) US 4,793,899;

(2) DE 180 269;

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- (3) DE 43 16 008;
- (4) DE 32 44 730;
- (5) US 5,578,125;
- (6) US 5,152,872;
- (7) DE 43 40 039;
- (8) DE 296 21 877;
- (9) DE 31 46 828;
- (10) P 0 815 948;
- (11) DE 19 42 348;
- (12) US 2,214,772;
- (13) US 1,966,458;
- (14) US 3,560,334;
- (15) US 4,737,242;
- (16) US 5,783,043; and
- (17) JP 5369280.

The following documents were cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a) - (c) on July 20, 2001 in continuation application No. 09/512,304, filed February 24, 2000, of which the above-captioned application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120:

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priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120:

(19) US 5,653,130.

In an Office Action dated January 15, 2002 in continuation application No. 09/512,304, filed February 24, 2000, of which the above-captioned application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120, the Examiner cited the following documents:

(20) US 4,471,714;

(21) US 4,791,879;

(22) US 6,010,739; and

(23) DE 44 32 177.

Copies of the above-listed documents (1) - (23) were submitted in continuation application No. 09/512,304 filed February 24, 2000 and/or in parent application No. 09/176,962 filed October 22, 1998, and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), and MPEP 609, copies of these documents (1) - (23) are not being submitted herewith. However, each of these documents is listed on the enclosed PTO-1449.

Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to consider these documents and to indicate such consideration by returning a signed and initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form with the first official communication.

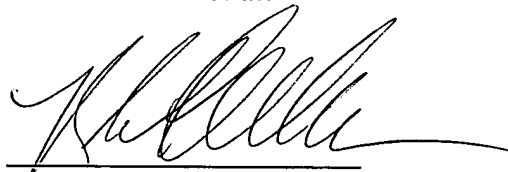
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therewith), and/or before receipt of a first action on the merits from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Accordingly, consideration of the enclosed document is required under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(1) and (3).

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed number.

Respectfully submitted,  
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